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SUBJ: 29TH UNGA: ITEM 42: DRAFT RES ON FORMER CHILEAN

FORMIN CLODOMIRO ALMEYDA

REF: STATE 234755, USUN 4392, USUN 4428, USUN 4444

1. UNGA SECOND COMMITTEE OCT 29 ADOPTED A DRAFT RESOLUTION
BY VOTE OF 78 - 4 (CHILE, NICARAGUA, PARAGUAY, URUGUAY) -
33 (US) UNGA UNDER WHICH UNGA PRESIDENT AND SEC GEN AUTHORIZED
TO REQUEST CHILEAN GOVERNMENT TO RELEASE CLODOMIRO ALMEYDA
IMMEDIATELY.

2. SIGNIFICANT DIFFERENCES BETWEEN GA VOTES ON THIS RES
AND THIRD COMMITTEE RES CONDEMNING CHILE FOR HUMAN
RIGHTS VIOLATIONS (USUN 4428) INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:
COLOMBIA SWITCHED FROM NO TO YES, (REPORTEDLY AS THE RESULT
OF DOMESTIC CRITICISM OF EARLIER VOTE AS "DEFENDING CHILE");
BOLIVIA AND ARGENTINA SWITCHED FROM NEGATIVE VOTE TO ABSTENTION
AND BRAZIL AND GUATEMALA DID NOT PARTICIPATE. ON OTHER HAND,
SIZ CARIBBEAN COMMONWEALTH COUNTRIES, 3 OF WHICH VOTED IN
FAVOR OF THE THIRD COMMITTEE RES, TOOK COLLECTIVE DECISION
TO STAY AWAY FRM ALMEYDA VOTE.

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3. ALL ASEAN COUNTRIES AGAIN ABSTAINED, PRESUMABLY TO INSURE CHILIAN SUPPORT OF THEIR RES ON KHMER. CHINESE SWITCHED FROM "NON-PARTICIPATION" IN THIRD COMMITTEE VOTE TO SUPPORT OF SECOND COMMITTEE RES, POSSIBLY AS THE RESULT OF SOVIET ATTACK ON CHINESE "HYPROCRISY" ON HUMAN RIGHTS MATTERS DISTRIBUTED IN SOVIET PRESS SUMMARY FOLLOWING THIRD COMMITTEE VOTE. JAPAN SWITCHED FROM YES VOTE IN THIRD COMMITTEE TO ABSTENTION. EGYPT AGAIN ABSTAINED BUT INDIA SWITCHED FRM ABSTENTION TO SUPPORT OF THE CHILE RES.

4. CHILEAN DEPUTY PERMREP HOLGER TOLD MISOFF OCTOBER 30 THAT CHILEANS LESS CONCERNED ABOUT OUTCOME OF VOTE ON ALMEYDA RES, IMPLYING THAT VIRTUAL ABSENCE OF WESTERN CO-SPONSORS MADE RES LESS SIGNIFICANT IN CHILEAN EYES. SOVIET AND NON-ALIGNED WILL HAVE FURTHER OPPORTUNITY TO ATTACK CHILE WHEN HUMAN RIGHTS AND ALMEYDA RESOLUTIONS TAKEN UP IN UNGA PLENARY IN COMING WEEKS.
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